

HB 2377 -- FAILURE TO APPEAR

SPONSOR: Jones

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 7 to 0.

Currently, if an individual charged with a moving traffic violation fails to appear in court as directed or without good cause fails to pay any fine or court costs assessed against him or her for the violation within the period specified or as otherwise approved by the court, the court is required to order the Director of the Department of Revenue to suspend the individual's driving privileges if the charges are not disposed of and fully paid within 30 days from the date of the mailing. This bill specifies that the court may order the department director to suspend the driving privileges at the request of the prosecutor having original jurisdiction.

This bill is similar to HB 740 (2015).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill is similar to HB 740 from 2015. This bill specifies the department may request suspension at the request of the prosecutor.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Cornejo.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.